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C O N F I D E N T I A L BEIRUT 4161

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PDIP, LE, US
SUBJECT: NEW LEBANESE AMBASSADOR TO US

REF: STATE 184875

1. I HAVE KNOWN KHALIL 'ITANI SINCE 1974, WHEN BOTH OF
US WERE IN ALGIERS. HE IS FRIENDLY, SPEAKS GOOD ENGLISH
AND APPEARS TO BE HONEST. HE IS NOT CONSIDERED PARTICULARLY
BRILLIANT BUT IS CAPABLE AND IS FOREIGN MINISTER BOUTROS'
CHOICE FOR THE JOB. HE WILL BE SOMETHING OF AN IMPROVEMENT
OVER QABBANI, BEING RATHER MORE VIGOROUS AND ASSERTIVE, BUT
AS A SUNNI PROBABLY WILL NEVER GET OFF THE GROUND WITH
CHRISTIAN LEBANESE-AMERICAN COMMUNITY. SINCE HE WILL RARELY
RECEIVE ANY INSTRUCTIONS FROM BEIRUT ANYWAY, PERHAPS THAT
MAKES NO DIFFERENCE.

2. REFTTEL DOES NOT ASK, BUT IN CASE IT SHOULD HAVE, I KNOW
OF NO REASON WHY WE SHOULD NOT GRANT AGREEMENT PROMPTLY.
PARKER

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